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62. (AMENDED) The femur fixture as claimed in claim 59, wherein the height of the screw thread profile on the frusto-conical proximal section is no greater than 0.3 mm.

63. (AMENDED) The femur fixture as claimed in claim 59, wherein the screw thread profile on the frusto-conical proximal section is formed by the turns of one or more screw threads.

64. (AMENDED) The femur fixture as claimed in claim 58, wherein said circumferentially oriented roughness is in the form of circumferential beads.